ASI to reveal names of candidates April 2

By Matt Smart
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The filing period for potential candidates of next year's Associated Students Inc. positions closed with a total of 99 applications. ASI President Sam Abene said that he received three applications for president, one application for chair of the board and 35 applications for the 24 board positions.

The names of the potential candidates will be announced on April 2. All of the potential candidates are waiting for their winter grades to be checked.

ASI requires that potential candidates have a cumulative GPA of 2.1. The potential candidates for president and chair of the board also must have 450 signatures of current students (3 percent of winter enrollment). These signatures will be verified by April 2.

The potential candidates for president and chair of the board must also have 10 signatures of current students (5 percent of winter enrollment) for each potential candidate for each position.

Elections will be held May 2 and 3.

The College of Engineering has 11 potential candidates for four seats. The College of Liberal Arts has five potential candidates for five seats.

The College of Science and Mathematics has three potential candidates for three positions available on the board.

Abene said he was "looking for students who balance needs of the institution with needs of the students and are willing to collaborate with partners in the best interest of the student."

Active campaigning on campus will begin Sunday, April 22 at noon after Open House and will end Tuesday, May 1.

Elections will be held in five locations on May 2 and 3. Voting will be held on Dexter Lawns, on the Agriculture bridge in front of building C, in the Fisher Science courtyard, the Union University Plaza and the Rec Center courtyard. In a change from last year, voters will be allowed to vote in any of the five locations. A computer database will track the progress of the vote.

Matt Harris, ASI vice president of technology, is working with Information Technology Services on campus to put together a secure computer database.

"All verification of voting is done on computers and kept in a secure database," he said.

Krebs trial set to begin Monday

By Janelle Foskett
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

The trial of accused murderer Rex Allan Krebs could begin as early as Monday, said Deputy District Attorney John Trice last week. Trice said a jury will be selected that day, and if time permits, the lawyers will move the trial up to March 19.

Trice said there needs to be a group of at least 80 people who are being considered as potential jurors before both sets of lawyers can work together to narrow them down to 12. Eight alternate jurors will be chosen as well, to sit in place of the 12 if necessary, the lawyer said.

The trial is expected to begin Monday in Monterey.

Mo's Smokehouse BBQ opens new patio dining area Thursday. It is the first restaurant to offer streetside patio dining downtown. Some predict that other businesses will follow this trend.

By April Pack
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Mo's Smokehouse BBQ doesn't extend onto Higuera Street's sidewalk only for Thursday night Farmers Market anymore. It now offers full-time patio dining to its customers.

This is the first streetside outdoor patio dining in downtown San Luis Obispo. Mo's owner Larry Kowalski said because of this, there were a lot of technicalities to work out with the city.

"I am very excited that we are finally past the permit process," he said.

Kowalski said the idea for the patio area has been a year and a half in the making.

"This is a big deal because last year there was a huge construction project on Higuera Street that really hurt our business because it lasted for nine months," Kowalski said.

He explained that the positive aspect to the construction was that it gave Mo's enough room to have the patio dining.

Deborah Holley, Downtown Association administrator, said this is a new type of cafe setting because some of the businesses have a few tables and chairs sitting outside, like The Coffee Klatch, but Mo's is the first full setup.

New patio may start SLO trend

Media personalities discuss television in modern society

By Michelle Hatfield
MUSTANG DAILY STAFF WRITER

Some of the most notable names in the television industry will meet to discuss the problems and successes of television in a free forum Tuesday, April 10.

"I don't think we've ever had a panel like this on campus," said Herb Kamm, special assistant coordinator of media forums.

The creator and executive producer of "60 Minutes," Don Hewitt, will talk about his years of experience with CBS's popular news show. Hewitt is also visiting the Central Coast to promote his new book.

"Thirty-three years ago, he came up with the idea of '60 Minutes,'" Kamm said. "It's been one of the top 10 shows in the Nielsen ratings for 23 years. It's the most professional show for CBS."

Kamm said the goal of the forum was to get professionals who wouldn't be afraid to discuss the good and bad side of the television trade.

"We looked for a cross-section of television experts who could give the good and bad of television and not hold back," he said. "We didn't want them to be full of sweet nothings, but full of candid observations."

"The Good, the Bad and Television" will talk about television not only as a news medium, but also as an entertainment medium, Kamm said.

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Communications Darlene Slack said she thinks having media forums on campus is meaningful.

"I think it's important to bring information about contemporary issues to San Luis Obispo," Slack said. "Television impacts everyone's lives."

Slack said that one of the topics of the forum is the influence that television has on us today - good and bad.

Another big name that will make his way to the Cal Poly campus is Howard Rosenberg, Pulitzer Prize-winning television critic for the Los Angeles Times.

Rosenberg won the Edward R. Murrow Award in 1994 and the Best TV Critic in the United States Award in 1996, Kamm said.

"This guy has won every award you can imagine," he said.

Dee Dee Myers, former press secretary for President Clinton and adviser for NBC's top-rated political drama "West Wing," will add her experience in politics to the panel.

Kamm said that Myers was the youngest press secretary in history.

Myers and her husband decided to turn the forum into a date. Todd Purdum is the Los Angeles bureau chief for The New York Times. From 1994-97, Purdum was the White House correspondent for The Times.

"Todd used to cover New York for The Times," Kamm said. "Now, he's one of their top writers."

The head of the academy that hands out the Emmys, Meryl Marshall, will also be on the panel. Marshall is chief executive officer of the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences.

Kamm said Marshall is also a lawyer and is the head of a television production company.

Rounding out the panel is Terry Anzur, a University of Southern California journalism professor and former television anchor.

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Seventeen miles of paradise

By Adam Jarman
MUSTANG DAILY EDITOR IN CHIEF

For a quick, late trip or weekend getaway, Monterey can be the perfect diversion from the activities of San Luis Obispo. The seaside resort has a lot to offer — the shopping along historic Cannery Row, a plethora of great places to eat and gorgeous views from almost any angle. It's these views that make the Monterey Peninsula one of the most beautiful stretches of the California coastline.

The best way to take in the true majesty and contour of this stretch of land is to pay the nominal entry fee and enjoy 17-Mile Drive. As part of the Pebble Beach resort, 17-Mile Drive winds around the hills and harbors of the Monterey Peninsula, taking a detour through the famous Pebble Beach Golf Course.

Coming through Monterey, 17-Mile Drive is easily found on the south end of town. After emerging through the gate, the road makes its way toward the ocean, passing beautiful homes, both old and new. Along 17-Mile Drive, there are 21 posted stopping points with views ranging from sandy beaches to steep cliffs to lush, overlooking the lush landscape leading to the sea.

The journey to Monterey can be just as beautiful as the destination.

Less than 150 miles away, Monterey is a simple two-and-a-half-hour drive up Highway 101, cutting over on Highway 68 in Salinas. But, time is not of the essence, a four-hour drive up Highway 1 hugs the edge of the North American continent and offers its own host of breathtaking vistas winding up into the hills of Big Sur. It's not a trip for timid drivers, as the road twists and turns between cliffs and streams, but it's well worth the extra time for the passengers.

There are many turnouts allowing a break from travel and a chance to smell the combination of evergreen forest and crisp ocean air and take plenty of photographs.

Once in Monterey, the stark contrast between the drive through Big Sur and 17-Mile Drive is awe-inspiring and makes each turn on the many coastal routes exciting as the view is ever changing.

Of course, no visit to Monterey would be complete without a visit to the Monterey Bay Aquarium. At only $13.95 with the flash of a student ID, it is a great way to spend a few hours. The aquarium offers many exhibits highlighting the local marine life, including an expansive deck area that lets visitors see the ocean's natural ecosystems. Whether it's the playful otters hamming it up for onlookers or the jellyfish gracefully moving their bodies through the water, there is something for everyone at the aquarium.

Other standard fare for Monterey includes Fisherman's Wharf and Cannery Row. While Cannery Row may have some similar offerings to San Luis Obispo's own downtown, the galleries and shops offer high-end gifts and collectibles as well as eddges of the standard "Monterey"-embossed goods that make it a sure bet when looking for a memento.

There are restaurants galore along and around Cannery Row offering everything from simple diner-style sandwiches to four-course feasts. For the real taste of Monterey, bypass the chains like Bubba Gump and take in a variety of local restaurants and eateries.

For more campy souvenirs and a variety of seafood and non-seafood restaurants, Fisherman's Wharf is a good stop. Here, a new local bar can be found, adjacent to the tourist what are working wharfs with tugboats and fishermen coming and going all day.

A walking path connects the Wharf area to downtown downtown Monterey can be easily seen by a leisurely stroll, but unless there is time to spare, there are more unique things to see and do elsewhere.

Just a few hours away, Monterey ties together the perfect combination of beauty and bounty, but be sure to have both a camera and wind-breaker in tow.
Opinion

Today's issue: Upcoming spring break activities
Take a much-needed nap/Wiggidy-wiggidy-whack!

It was 2 a.m. on a Tuesday night in Cancún, and the celebration had just begun. Finals were over and spring break was here. Lindsay (her name has been changed) was partying like a rock star as she danced on the bar and drank Long Island iced teas.

Around 5 a.m. she made it back to the hotel room with her friends and crashed on the bed without changing.

Lindsay woke up the next afternoon around 3 p.m. Her head pounded and her body ached. She swallowed some Advil, took a cold shower and hit the beach to drain the hangover from her body.

By 5 p.m., Lindsay and her friends were back at the bar ordering their next round of Long Island iced teas.

“Spring break is the college student’s ultimate dream vacation ... an escape from reality ... admittedly filled with beaches, endless nights of music, partying and anything but textbooks.”

This quote can be found on www.spring-break-party.com. This site gives lots of ideas to make spring break the best that it can possibly be. The site lists the most visited places by college students and how to get there inexpensively. Some of the ideal places they cite for spring break vacations are Acapulco, Bahamas, Cancun, Daytona Beach, Mazatlan, Myrtle Beach and South Padre Island.

Who wants to sit at home for an entire week? Many people might think the best idea for spring break would be to just relax and do nothing. While this is fine, spring break should be taken advantage of. How often does a student really get a chance to go out and do something fun? With the many demands of Cal Poly, this often leaves little time students like us deserve to forget all responsibilities and party for a week!

Although we do deserve this time to forget our responsibilities, it’s our bodies that deserve a break. Cal Poly is a rough school. Each quarter we suffer 10 straight weeks of stress, and then we do it again. We fantasize about a day when we don’t have to worry about our grades or about our next round of Long Island iced teas. Partying, dancing and meeting hot exchange students may be fun, but it’s not a “break.” Just because we’re not buried in books doesn’t mean our body isn’t still working hard. In fact, it’s probably working overtime, because we’re staying up even later, consuming alcohol and turning our sleep schedule inside out.

It seems that once spring break rolls around, we completely forget about that nap we desired so badly during the quarter. The images of Cancun, swimming in the water with friends, watching the sun set and partying are all that comes to mind.

This doesn’t have to be a time to just have fun and party. It can also be used as a way to relax and rejuvenate — spring break!

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Spring break is a vacation, so don’t make it work. Spring break is the time to let loose, have fun and make memories at the same time. But vacation does not mean it can’t be relaxing. What is more relaxing than laying on the beach, sleeping on the comfortable softness of a hotel bed or just plain hanging out with friends? Day to day things can be a great opportunity to relieve stress.

There are also places that can be visited that have the option of relaxation or partying and having fun. Acapulco, for instance.

“Acapulco is definitely a lot of fun, but it is a bit more reserved and calm than Cancun,” according to the Web site. “Acapulco has a richer history and is visited by wealthy people from all over — in addition to the spring break crowd.”

Relaxing too much, however, can cause lethargy. After a week of fun-filled vacation, it can be invigorating, and it can make anyone more ready to go back to school with all of that newfound energy. When somebody asks what you did for spring break, do you really want your answer to be only that you slept and read a book?

This doesn’t have to be a time to just have fun and party. It can also be used as a way to do something like community service or to work toward a future career. On www.student.com, Nicole Galipeau, the Web site correspondent, gave an example of a student, Andrew Kennon, who unlike his friends, is going to spend his spring break in Appalachia instead of partying.

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Kennon said on the Web site.

“His is one among thousands of American college students who will participate in one of the alternative spring break programs proliferating on campuses across the country,” Galipeau said on the Web site.

Kennon said the group that is going to Eastern Kentucky is motivated by their love to use what free time they have to help others the best that they can.

The key idea here is free time, and use it wisely. Why miss out on any opportunity this spring break? Make it memorable.

April Pack is a journalism senior and Mustang Daily staff writer.
The voice of the people.

Letters to the editor

Let KKK help community

In response to Miss Candice Comi's commentary, "KKK deserves no "positive light," March 15) I am taking a role of the devil's advocate, but I find it extremely important in a case like this. I, in no way, support the KKK, their violent actions, or their racist beliefs.

However, to say that their beliefs are not to be protected when so many other racist organizations are protected is hypocrisy! Just look at when Elaine Brown was allowed to speak on campus last month for Black History Month. She was the head of one of the most violent racist groups to ever set foot in our nation, and she was allowed to pontificate on campus, not about black history, but her racist views and how she was "wronged." You want to talk about "alternative motives," take Mr. Monday's waste of ink, not Stallman's column.

Craig Livingston is an electrical engineering senior.

Another dog tale Editor

I am writing in response to Karin Edman's letter, "Leave my dog alone, I love her very much," March 15. I have been dog walking with my dog at school for about a year. I have found that most of my fellow students enjoy seeing a dog on campus, and most love to come and pet her. I enjoy the smiles and laughs that she brings people as she excitedly walks around campus. I bring her into classrooms only after I find out the teacher doesn't mind. I have had fellow students come up to me and tell me how well behaved she is, and many never even knew that she had been in the classroom for the last hour and a half until we get up to leave.

Sometimes, I have classes that I do not take her into. In that case, for the last year, like many other dog-owning students, I have left her securely tied to a stationary object on a nice lawn so she can enjoy the sunshine. She does not whine or bark, and enjoys it when someone comes up to say hello.

I never knew Cal Poly had a rule against this until this week. I left my dog tied to a tree outside of South North, only to return from my class to find my dog gone. Fortunately, a fellow dog lover had seen what had gone on and was there to inform me that the Campus Police had taken my dog. As all the other dog owners out there can imagine, the feeling of walking out and finding my dog gone was very upsetting. It had not been for the nice person who had seen the incident, I would have had no idea what had happened to her. (And thank you very much to that person!)

So, I went to the Campus Police, who informed me of the rule on campus that does not allow a person on the other end of their leash. I had no idea this was a rule, as I had been dog walking for the last two years before I got my dog, and had been doing it for the last year.

For some reason on that day, that police officer decided to enforce the rule that I had been told is written in our class schedule. I scanned the entire thing, and found no such rule. I then watched the University Catalog and found no such rule either. So it seems to me that the rules on campus are not very clear and no one is very aware of them.

I will continue to bring my dog to school with me, too. I will take her into classrooms as long as the teacher and my fellow students do not object to her being there. I love being more than to be with me and enjoys meeting people on campus. When left tied up outside, she knows that I will come back for her.

I have no doubt that she was very confused when the police officer made her leave, and took her to a dark, dirty kennel. I only hope that she would find her and that I would not be mad at her for not being where I had left her.

Her name is Shlink, and she came from the pound. I had not adopted her, she may have been euthanized. She was a Border Collie cross that looks like she puts ear liner on every morning. Similar to Karin's dog, she was scared of strangers and new situations when I got her. Now, I am proud to say that she has her Camera Good Citizen title (a test that a dog and owner can take to prove that their dog is well behaved) and is truly an ambassador for the merits of adopting a dog from the pound and what can be done with a little love.

Garren Fisher is a mechanical engineering sophomore.

Sexuality is important Editor

I am deeply saddened after reading D. Scott Monday's attack on Shallion Lester ("Mistress" columnist shouldn't talk," March 15). Apparently, he feels that anyone who has had sex outside of a committed relationship is unworthy to publish articles or attend Cal Poly. He feels that frank discussions exploring the intricacies of human sexual behavior are a waste of ink.

He wants no opportunity to attack Shallion as "pathetic" and as having "Somewhere in the "slyly" and a "sleazy-mind." His entire letter was little more than him shouting "Shut it!" at Shallion. I am finally beginning to understand why so many women are so fearful of enjoying human sexuality and why even in our modern day it's still so shameful and dirty to be open about sex.

Mr. Monday's letter was the waste of ink, not Stallman's column.

Craig Livingston is an electrical engineering senior.

Dear D. Scott Monday

The last time I checked, having sex outside of a committed relationship is legal. In the United States, the last time I checked, it is legal to have a dog. This is America, the land of the free and the home of the brave. So stop being a hypocrite, and do the right thing. I have the right to do as I please, and I will stand up for what I believe in. You, on the other hand, should probably go make yourself useful and stop spreading your hate.

Garren Fisher is a mechanical engineering sophomore.

Health and Safety Alert

I would like to bring to your attention the existence of a student who had a dog on campus. The name of the student is Shallion Lester. She is a speech communications sophomore. I have been friends with Shallion since she was a freshman. She and I have been together since the day she was born. Shallion is one of the most beautiful people I have ever met. She is kind, smart, and a wonderful person.

The dog that Shallion has is a small dog. It is a terrier. It is very friendly and is always happy to see people. Shallion and I have been together since the day I met her. We have been through thick and thin. Most of the time, we have been together.

Recently, Shallion and I had a conversation about how she would like to have a pet. I suggested that she get a dog. Shallion and I both love animals, and I thought that a dog would be a great addition to our lives. Shallion agreed, and we decided to get a dog. We found a small terrier, and Shallion and I went to the animal shelter to pick out a dog. We found a small terrier named "Sparky." Shallion and I both loved him, and we decided to take him home.

We brought Sparky home, and we have been very happy with him. He is very friendly, and he loves to play with Shallion and me. We have been very happy with him, and we have no plans to get rid of him. I hope that you will understand why we want to keep him.

Sincerely,

Garren Fisher

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- BUS 212 Financial Accounting

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- ECON 201 Survey of Economics

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Friday, March 16, Utah State upsets State, 77-68
GREENSBORO, N.C. (AP) Utah State's first NCAA tournament victory since 1972 was a year in the
making.
After salvaging something four-round loss last season, the 12th-
seeded Aggies beat Ohio State 77-68 in overtime Thursday in one of the
biggest-opening-day upsets.
"The first time you go to the tour-
nament you are in awe and you don't know
how to handle it," said Tony Brown, who scored 17 points, includ-
ing the game-winning jumper with 1.8
seconds to play in regulation in the
East Regional.

**SPORTS**

**UCLA slips past Hosti,a, 61-48**
GREENSBORO, North Carolina (AP) UCLA's Steve Wright was often
mistaken for Steve Livin. Too bad he
can't trade places with the UCLA
coach Thursday.
The Bruins made sure that Wright's
Pride did not record their first NCAA
Tournament victory by diminishing the
final nine minutes of a 61-48 East
Region victory at the Greensboro
Coliseum.
UCLA (22-8), seeded fourth, closed
the game on a 23-5 run and fended
13th-seeded Hofstra (26-5) scoreless from the
field during the span as it advanced to a
second-round game against Utah State
this weekend.
The Pride's national-best winning
streak ended at 15 games as Wright lost
his good friend, Livin. The two
coaches look similar and Wright, who
has been an assistant at Nevada-Las
Vegas and Villanova, might also be
heading for a job at a big-time program.

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ing Brigham Young, Fresno State,
Nevada (women), Sacramento State,
UC Irvine and Utah State will all be
making the trip to Las Vegas. There will also be several athletes
competing unatched at the meet.
Until the weekend, this meet will be
not a scoring meet.
Crawford said the annual event usu-
ally takes place the week before a
spring break, meaning there aren't a
lot of people around to cheer on ath-
letes at the meet. This year, the school
schedule has changed to school is still in session and fans will
have the opportunity to attend.
Crawford said many athletes are
excited that their friends and family will be able to watch.
Addison Brown, a junior, a kinesio-
ology and human performance major, a
junior, the men's team captain, competes in the long jump and triple
jump. He finished first at Stanford two
weeks ago in both events. He won the
long jump at 22-11.73 and the triple jump with a final mark of
48-1.75. Badger is the defending Big
West Conference Champion in the triple jump.
He said that a home meet definitely
helps him to perform better.
"It's just so nice to know that you have the entire team, family and friends behind you - it really gets your adren-
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**SPORTS**

**Got a suggestion for the Mustang Daily Sports Department?**
E-mail us at mustangdailysports@hotmail.com

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wanted to spend more time with his family.
Eppright has two children, both under
the age of four, and his wife is a lawyer
in town, Sullivan said.
Eppright went 2-11-9 in his nine years
as coach for the Mustangs.
Eppright is a two-time NCAA West
Region Coach of the Year for 1993 and
1994. The 35-year-old also is a two-time
Conference Coach of the Year with Cal
 Poly.
He graduated from Santa Clara
University in 1992, where he played
 tennis for the Broncos.

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Similarly, the baseball team will
prepare for two Big West Conference
series - one at Cal State Fullerton
this weekend, and the other at home against UC Santa Barbara the follow-

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"It's a huge week for us to place ourselves for the NCAA (regional)," said
donna baseball coach Ritch Price.
"We've been training on it and definitely
looking forward to this weekend."
Badger said getting ready for a
meet is different for each athlete, but
as team captain, his job is to set an
example and getting everyone to sup-
port each other.
"I try to bring unity, that's one of
my main focuses," he said.
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years as coach for the Mustangs.
Eppright is a two-time NCAA West
Region Coach of the Year for 1993 and
1994. The 35-year-old also is a two-time
Conference Coach of the Year with Cal
Poly.
He graduated from Santa Clara
University in 1992, where he played
tennis for the Broncos.
Men’s tennis coach quits

By Michele Hatfield
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After nine years as coach of the men’s tennis team, Chris Eppright resigned in the middle of the season Thursday, citing personal reasons. “It was a personal decision of mine,” said Athletic Director John McCutcheon. “He felt it was in the best interest of the time.”

McCutcheon, who announced the resignation, said that he did not know why Eppright quit in the middle of the season as opposed to waiting until the end.

The men’s team is currently 4-4. McCutcheon said Hugh Bloom, women’s tennis coach, will coach the men’s team through their match against Northern Arizona on Saturday.

There are six weeks remaining in the team’s season and McCutcheon said the athletic department will immediately begin looking for a temporary coach.

McCutcheon said that he did not know about Eppright’s desire to step down.

Sports Information Director Jason Sullivan said he heard that Eppright was interested in another job.

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Big games for Mustang athletes during spring break

By Sonia Slutzki
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Even if the warm beaches of Mexico are just a few hundred miles away, they are still too far for Cal Poly athletes who will be running, lifting and jumping their spring break away in preparation for upcoming games and meets.

“Even if we go home for the break, the coach gives us a workout,” said Adrienne Lindsey, a business sophomore and javelin thrower for the track team.

The track team is only one of five Cal Poly teams who will be postponing their spring break to a much later date. For track, the weekend before finals will be opened with the Cal Poly Invitational, followed by a four-day meet at UC Irvine Saturday, March 24, and two more invitational meets in Fullerton and Stanford the following weekend.

The softball team, which has started the season with an 11-10 record, will be training just as it has been since the season started, said coach Lisa Bover. “We are right in the middle of our season,” Bover said. “All our games coming up play a factor in winning the regional.”

The softball team will play Santa Clara Saturday. The following weekend they’ll be coming back to Bob Jansen Field to play their first Big West Conference game against Long Beach State.

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Invitational set for this weekend

By Larissa Van Beurden
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Track and field team members hope the home-field advantage will help them score high marks at the Cal Poly Invitational this weekend.

The team has new facilities to compete on this year thanks to the new all-weather track finished in November. This will be the first time any athletes have competed on the track.

Head coach Terry Crawford said this weekend will be a season opener for many athletes. Cal Poly opened its outdoor season two weeks ago at Stanford, but not everyone competed.

“This meet will see a lot of early season performances,” she said. “We’re really fired up for the outdoor season. We’ll have good competition and hopefully we’ll see some good early season marks, which is what the coaches are looking for,” Crawford said there will be only one home meet this year because there is still a lot of construction on surrounding facilities.

She said the Invitational is a good chance to compete with teams from out of the area. There will be about eight teams competing.

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Psychology junior Ernesto Salinas practices in preparation for the Cal Poly Invitational. Events begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Softball splits doubleheader

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The softball team played its second doubleheader in three days, splitting two games with Marshall. Cal Poly lost the first game 1-0 but triumphed in the second 4-2.

Marshall pitcher Sara Gulla dominated the Mustangs in the first game, striking out six and giving up only five hits. The game opened with the Cal Poly infielders and California Baptist not scoring for the first three innings. The Mustangs finally broke through in the fourth inning with Justin Sperry and Brandi Metcalfe getting walks with one out. This set up for Sperry to drive in Metcalfe with a single, and the run proved enough for Cal Poly to win the game. Cal Poly improves to 12-9.

The Mustangs swept a doubleheader from UNLV Tuesday.

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• Cal Poly’s bats woke slightly for the second game, with four hits and three walks to its credit. Shortstop Ronny Sperry had one hit for Cal Poly, and also drove in one run.

With the split, Cal Poly improves its record to 12-11. Marshall’s record moves to 12-9.

Cal Poly next travels to Santa Clara for a doubleheader on Saturday.

Poly baseball deserves a better stadium

The Cal Poly baseball team is a team on the rise. This statement should not be taken as the usual hype spewed out by the local media about teams that are, in actuality, going nowhere. Some evidence to back up my claim is the team’s third-place finish last year in the tough Big West Conference. This season, the team has already defeated highly ranked Alex Thapar of Stanford and next year will play a schedule that includes Stanford again, Nebraska, and 2000 NCAA champions Louisiana State University. These are teams that Cal Poly is capable of not only competing with, but also defeating.

I know you can feel the question begging to be asked, if Cal Poly is such a big-time program, then why don’t they play in a top-of-the-line facility?

I asked head coach Benjamin Chesser this question at a recent practice, and he simply replied, "We have a good baseball team, but we need a good facility to back it up."